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## Reds Nurture an Enemy

Everyone who has been troubled by a nagging fear that the conflict between Communism and the free world goes so deep that it is basically insoluble, and will end in a cataclysmic explosion, will take new heart from the address of Allen W. Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency, to the Alumni Federation of Columbia University.

Mr. Dulles spoke on "Education in the Soviet Union," and outlined the dilemma which confronts Russia's rulers. They have long recognized the need for mass education, to train capable people for a technically advanced society, and they have an effective program.

But this, Mr. Dulles believes, is a process that carries the seed of destruction for Communist dictatorship. For mass education inevitably induces thought, and thought induces questions.

Even on a material level, he suggested, the Soviet Union can hardly give its people a better material education and still keep them from wanting more, and from thinking more on these lines.

The effects of education, Mr. Dulles reported, are already showing a liberalizing tendency in scientific and technical schools, where there is a new de-emphasizing of ideological studies. For the present measures of thought control are still effective in other fields, but the spirit of inquiry is contagious, and must lead to curiosity about the outside world.

And can thought control continue to be effective, "when the average educational level is raised to the tenth grade, from the seventh grade or lower?"

The awakening of the Russian masses, Mr. Dulles believes, is already reflected in the confusion which seems to be besetting Russia's top command, and has probably ended forever the rigidity of policy that was only possible under the one-man dictatorship of Stalin.

Mr. Dulles is thinking of the long-term results of Russian education, but his analysis offers hope, at least, that Communism in time will cease to be the implacable enemy it appears today.

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